Statement

PATTERN OF SUBSIDY UNDER IRDP W.E.F. 30TH APRIL, 1993

Category	Percentage ceiling	Monetary Ceiling
Small Farmars	25	Rs.4000/— in normal areas and Rs.5000/— in Drought prone Areas programme and Desert Development programme ereas.
Marginal Farmers/ Agriculture Labourers, Non-. Agriculturel Labourers and Rural Artisans	33.33	Rs.4000/— in normal areas and Rs.5000/— in Drought prone Area programme and Desert Development programme Areas.
OF THESE (a) Scheduled Tribes (b) Scheduled Castes (c) Physically Handicapped	50%	Rs.6000/—

No monetary ceilings are applicable for individual minor irrigation projects nder IRDP. For community minor irrigation projects more than 50% of the landholders in the Ayacut should be IRDP small and marginal farmers and they should own not less than 25% of the land. Cost apportion-able for group members will be in proportion to their land as a percentage of total land in the Ayacut. Of this cost each IRDP family will get 50% subsidy. No monetary ceilings are applicable on the amount of subsidy in such cases also.

Central Assistance to drought Affected States

113. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI : Will -the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have released any aids, under special grants from the Central funds for the States hit by drought;

(b) if so, the States which will be benefited under special drought relief aids ;

(c) whether these will be additional aids to states from the Central Government other than every budgetary assistance; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Higher Sale Prices of Agriculture Commodities through NAFED

114. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the existing sale prices of various agricultural commodities e.g. Rice, Pulses, Spices ; Dry Fruits ; Edible Oil etc. sold through NAFED are higher than that of the Super Bazar and Kendriya Bhandar ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any case of irregularity in the supply, sale and purchase of items through NAFED has come to the notice of Government during the last three years ;

(d) if so, the corrective measures taken/ proposed to be taken by Government for the effective functioning of NAFED for the benefit of consumers ; and

te) the criteria adopted by the Super Bazar for purchase of commodities from NAFED indicating on what rates and the details of tenders and mode of payment ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) NAFED is primarily engaged in the task of promoting and developing marketing of agricultural produce to protect the interest of